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Papatoetoe Muslim Bags It All



Papatoetoe Muslim Soccer Team after winning the FIANZ Muslim Unity Cup 2013 at Bill McKinlay Park during the Easter Weekend Holidays.



Station Manager of Radio Humm Mr Rajesh Maharaj presenting the FIANZ MUSLIM UNITY CUP to the captains. From left: Imraz Shah, Mohammed Aiyaz (Team Manager of Papatoetoe Muslim), Mr Rajesh Maharaj and Mohammed Zain.

From the best goal keeper Moshin Ali, best manager Aiyaz Mohammed, MVP award, to the winners cup, Papatoetoe Muslim Soccer Team has got it all for the FIANZ Muslim Unity Cup held during the Easter Holidays Weekend at Bill McKinlay Park in Panmure. The exciting three day soccer tournament came to an end with a very exhilarating grand final played between Mount Wellington Ba and Papatoetoe Muslim Soccer Team. With majority of teenager youth playing for both sides could not decide the winner after the full time game of one hour. In the second extra time and in the dying minutes was when the MVP getter Imraz Shariff's free kick was headed in past Mt Wellington's keeper Naushad Ali by Mohammed Zain. Soheb Sheikh, Papatoetoe's play maker displayed some dazzling footwork brought the fans to thrilling moments but was shut down by the extra defence of Abdul Haroon managed Mt Wellington.

The grand final as it was supposed to have been was seen after years of soccer said the Radio Humm commentator Saten Kumar over the air waves if Humm 106.2 FM. New Zealand Muslim Sports Association

hosted annual FIANZ Unity Cup Soccer Tournament was Sponsored by the Federation of Islamic associations of New Zealand (FIANZ) with Radio Humm, Ram's Cleaning Ltd, Takanini Fish Mart and Halal Tasty Foods Ltd show some outstanding displayed by all the 12 teams that took part over three days. The chief guest was the president of South Auckland Muslim Associations President Br Ibrar Ahmed Sheikh welcomed the NZ Muslim Sports move to promote Dawah through sports for which the theme last tournament was respecting parents and elders. The losing semi finalist Otahuhu Muslim team was named the best discipline team and the president's appreciation award was presented to Haji Mohammed Azeem, life member of NZ Muslim Sports and current coordinator and administrator of Auckland Muslim Council.

The Chairman of the Tournament organising committee Br Shameel Jalil wishes to thank all the participants, sponsors, supporters and his committee members together with the match officials and the Maori Wardens Team for weekend's accomplishment.



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FIANZ NZMSA – UNITY CUP 2013

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Mohammed Shameel Jalil, Chairman Organising, Committee NZMSA.

“I would to thank Allah (SWT) for giving me time and courage to work for the Muslim committee and also thank NZMSA official for giving me this opportunity to be the chair person for this FIANZ Muslim Unity Cup”.

Ground Control Report:

FIANZ UNITY CUP's purpose was to promote Islamic spirit and brotherhood through sportsmanship and have games played fairly. The end result was appreciating with teams participating in fair and challenging matches giving the spectators a wholesome social and sporting entertainment.

Full consideration was given for Salaat and Masshaallah we had good attendance of brothers during the prayers.

Ground control was managed by Bro Naushad Ali.

The Dawah theme for this tournament was “Respect for parents and elders”

Ground Entry Fee: An amount of \$350 was levied for participation which reasonable considering that the event was played on all-weather turf.

Player Uniform and Equipment: All Teams and their Managers were organised and professionally attired with their nominated uniforms.

The teams were properly equipped with gears and medical

aids.

Duration of the matches: All pool matches were played for 25 minutes each way and the semi-final stages played 30 minutes each way. Throughout the games there were no protests held or any kind of match refusal.

Dismissals and Discipline: Only four red cards were given throughout the tournament.

Team List and Team Affiliation: Complete and correct teams were registered.

Day 1 Friday 29 April 2013

Gates open at 8am

I as the chairperson of the FIANZ Muslim Unity Cup with my Tournament Secretary Br Sabir Khan met and welcomed the Maori Wardens and appreciated their presence and also briefed them what we are expecting in term of the security of the player, officials and spectators.

Alhamdulillah before the beginning of every pool game we had a dawah talk by Maulana Kalim Husain together with officials of the NZMSA working Committee members.

He spoke on the topic of how and why we must respect our parents and elders.

After the third game we had a break for Juma Salaat and just after 3pm the fourth game resumed. People had enough time to go for Juma and back for the next game

The final game for day ended at 7.30pm and the first day of FIANZ Muslim unity cup tournament came to end.

Thanks to all NZMSA committee for their hard work.

We also had breaks for Asar and Magrib Salaat.

All games started and

finished on schedule.

Day 2 Saturday 29 April 2013

Gates open at 8am

Before the first game our Tournament Secretary Br Sabir and the two teams Tauranga and Avondale players and official and Working Committee members performed Dua as well.

We had invited guests from FIANZ: Br Dr Anwar Gani (President) and Br Dr Mustafa (Vice President) with some other distinguished guests.

The President of NZMSA Br Sheikh Israr welcomed the guests and gave them the opportunity to speak to the players, officials and NZMSA Working Committee.

Our guest also spoke on the same topic on respecting our parents and elders.



Lunch was arranged for our invited guests. Thanks to our Disciplinary Committee Members Br Yusuf and Br Azam Khan for their presence in our tournament. Please note that they are also BOG members of FANCA SPORTS FEDERATION and we had informal discussion of upcoming FANCA 2014 which will be hosted by NZMSA. ‘Inshallah’ We had again break for Asar and Magrib Salaat. All games started and finished on schedule

**Day 3 Sunday 30 April 2013
Gates open at 8am**

Again today we started our day with Dawah Message - Respect our parents and elders with Dua.

First quarter final started at 9am. All the matches during knockout stages were outstanding games displayed by our teams, but the golden rule only one winner.

We had invited guest from various organisations as well as NZMSA team managers for our tea party. Alhamdulillah it went well, we had speeches from NZMSA President, Head of Maori Warden, and President of SAMA and also from our Vice Patron Haji Gul Zaman.

We had two veteran teams participated in this tournament as well and in the champion side Waikato Br Ismail, the President of Hamilton Mosque together with the Pesh Imam of Masjid Al-Taqwah played and lifted the Cup. Waikato Veterans defeated Auckland Veterans side.

Before the grand final between Papatoetoe and Mt Wellington invited guest from FIANZ former president Br Haji Javed Khan, Br Sheikh Ibrar from SAMA and also NZF

Veterans Assn. President Br Aiyaz Khan and the Secretary of NZ Fiji AFC addressed the team players and spectators. I, Shameel as a Chairperson of Unity cup conveyed the vote of thanks.

After the great grant final the tournament ended with Dua from Br Zaiyeed Yusuf of the Champion Papatoetoe team.

Awards were presented as follows;

- NZMSA Achievement Award; Haji Mohammed Azeem
- Imraaz Shah- MVP; Papatoetoe
- Best Goal Keeper - Mohsin Ali; Papatoetoe
- Best Disciplined Team – Otahuhu
- Best Manager – Mohammed Aiyaz; Papatoetoe
- Runners up - Mt Wellington
- Winner of FIANZ Muslim Unity Cup 2013 – Papatoetoe

I the Tournament Secretary - Mohammed Sabir Khan would also like to thank all teams and official for the support and dedication thru out the Unity Cup Tournament. May Allah bless us all.

Referees

We had yet another successful tournament and there were sufficient number of referees readily available in each game giving us more flexibility so we were not overworked. On behalf of the Referees Com-



tee, I would like to thank all for the participation and hard work to make this tournament so successful. Clearly the quality of the referees is improving even with the few changes that we had to implement which could have led to a lot of confusion applying them for the first time, yet the quality was noticeable. We would expect that there will be some calls that you would not agree with. Motivate the players and encourage them to play hard but try to refrain from being critical of the referee's decision. The Referees Committee had discussions regarding the betterment of the NZMSA tournaments and the participation of the referees. I want to take this opportunity to encourage all referees to continue their hard work and training to sharpen their skills and abilities to become the best referee they can be.



Referees report
Rajesh Kumar – Secretary:
2nd April 2013
The Referees Organising Committee
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Respect for Parents and Elders

A Muslim's duties to his or her parents are secondary only to duties toward Allah, their Lord and Creator. The Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) once asked his companions, "Shall I inform you of the biggest of the major sins?" He repeated the question three times, until the people answered, "Yes, please inform us." Then, he said, "Ascribing partners to Allah, and being undutiful to your parents."

Muhammad (PBUH) once said that cursing parents is one of the greatest of sins, as it shows pride and ingratitude to those who deserve the greatest respect. It is forbidden for Muslims to ridicule, abuse, or insult a person or a person's family members, even as a joke.

Our life would not be possible without the sacrifice and hard work of our parents, who cared for us and met all our needs when we were young. The Qur'an addresses this point in one touching verse: "And your Lord has decreed that you worship none but Him, and that you be kind to parents. If one or both of them attain old age during your life, say not to them a word of disrespect, nor rebel them. But address them in terms of honor, and lower to them the wing of humility, out of mercy, and say, 'My Lord! Bestow on them Your Mercy, as they did bring me up when I was young'" (Qur'an 17:23-24).

Duties to Parents

Muslims are advised to treat their parents gently and respectfully. They should always strive to please them and never become impatient or rude with them. Muslims consider it an honor and a blessing to be able to care for their parents in old age. After all, it's the least we can do to repay them for all of their hard work and sacrifice. Nursing homes and hospice care are new phenomena in the Muslim world, and they are not widely accepted. Elderly and ill family members almost always remain in the homes of children or relatives, cared for and respected until death.

Muhammad (PBUH) encouraged his followers to treat their parents well and to be mindful of their needs. Once, a young man came to him and wanted to join the Muslim army on the battlefield to defend the community from attack. Muhammad (PBUH) asked him if his parents were living. When the young man said they were, he told him: "Then go back to your parents, serve them, and deal with them kindly. This is as good as fighting for God's sake."

A young man once traveled from Yemen to be with the Prophet Muhammad. When he arrived, Muhammad (PBUH) asked him if he had asked his parents' permission before coming. He hadn't. Muhammad (PBUH) sent him home, with these instructions: "If they permit you, then come back. Otherwise, be devoted to them."

Muslims consider their parents' opinions

about important matters, such as choosing a career path, spouse, or place to live. As a Muslim gets older, any income she earns is partially used to support her parents and meet their needs. A Muslim prays that after their deaths, God will forgive her parents and show mercy toward them.

It is important to note, however, that a Muslim's duty toward his parents is not blind obedience. No Muslim should obey his parents if they order their child to do something that is in violation of Islamic law. In this situation, a Muslim strives to advise his parents, educate them about Islamic teachings in the matter, and ultimately serve God first and foremost.

Mother First

Among parents, it is usually the mother who makes the most sacrifice and endures the most hardship in the care of her children. Islam recognizes this fact, offering more honor to the mother as a parent. Muhammad (PBUH) once said, "Paradise is placed at the mothers' feet," so high is their status and regard.

The Qur'an reminds people of the sacrifices and hardships that mothers face on behalf of their children. "And we enjoined upon mankind concerning parents: his mother carried him in weakness upon weakness, and his weaning is two years. Therefore show gratitude to Allah and to your parents" (Qur'an 31:14).

On another occasion, some people asked the Prophet Muhammad, "To whom should we show kindness first?" He answered, "Your mother." Then he was asked again, "And after that, then whom?" Muhammad (PBUH) again replied, "Your mother." He was asked yet again, and he gave the same reply again: "Your mother." Only after that, when he was asked one more time, did he answer, "Then, your father."

Muhammad (PBUH) once said, "Let his nose be rubbed in the dust; let his nose be rubbed in the dust." When asked, "Who is it that should be humiliated in such a way?" he answered, "That person who finds his parents, one or both of them, attaining old age in his life, but does not enter Paradise by serving them."

Non-Muslim Parents

If a Muslim's parents do not believe in Islam, she is guided to treat them with kindness and mercy out of respect for their sacrifices and unconditional love. However, just as with Muslim parents, if a non-Muslim parent orders something that goes against the faith, the Muslim is not to obey: "But if they strive to make you join other gods in worship with Me, of which you have no knowledge, obey them not. Yet accompany them in this life with gentleness" (Qur'an 31:15). A Muslim must respect and give all other rights and duties to non-Muslim parents, regardless of their faith.

The Extended Muslim Family

According to Islamic teachings, the family is the foundation of society. But the family is not limited only to one's parents, brothers, and sisters. The Muslim family is a network of relatives near and far, all of whom have rights and responsibilities in the family structure. In addition, the "family" of neighbors, friends, and the Muslim community at large depend on one another for support and aid.

From a Child to an Adult

When children reach puberty, they become responsible for all aspects of Islam, including worship, fasting, modest dress, and other duties. However, children don't just wake up one day as adults. The exact age of puberty may vary, based on physical and mental development, but is generally reached by the age of fifteen. After this time, children enter the age of legal obligation and are considered adults under Islamic law. Children learn the responsibilities that come with adulthood through a gradual process.

In Islam, the education of children is not only to prepare them for good jobs and successful careers, but also to teach them how to function properly in life. As children reach puberty, Muslim parents are responsible for making sure their children know about the responsibilities of adulthood, running a household, and contributing to society in a positive way.

For example, Muslim children first begin praying as toddlers, imitating their parents. When the children reach age seven, parents begin more formal instruction on how to perform the prayers. By age ten, children are required to participate. The same holds true for fasting. As youngsters, many Muslim children participate in fasting because they want to feel part of the family and community. It starts out as perhaps a half day, or one day during the week, and builds up from there. Only at puberty is a Muslim child obligated to perform the entire fast. This gradual process is observed in all aspects of Islamic teaching. In earlier centuries, children would take on both religious and worldly responsibilities at the age of puberty, including full-time work and marriage. However, most Muslims nowadays recognize that full maturity requires additional social and emotional development that may not be reached during the teenage years. Such parents encourage their children to continue their education and more fully develop before completely taking on life responsibilities.

There is no particular ritual in Islam to welcome an adolescent into adulthood; it is a long-term process of guiding and teaching. From a very young age, Muslim parents teach their children about the duties of a Muslim, such as prayer and fasting. As they grow, children learn and practice the details of these responsibilities; when they do come of age, they fully understand them and can handle them with ease.

THE BC MUSLIM SPORTS ASSOCIATION

The following brothers have been duly elected Office Bearers of The B.C. Muslim Sports Association.



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Brothers you can be rest assured Canada is good hands.

Was salam !

Sikandar Khan.

Permanent Member.

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Fiji Nasinu tops Muslim tourney

The Betsy Ali-captained Nasinu side were crowned the new champions of the Supreme Fuel and Auto Care Fiji Ltd sponsored Fiji Muslim Sports Association Easter IDC tournament. Nasinu laced with experienced players like Rewa rep Ali, Imtiaz Khan Rewa team and goalkeeper Zoheb Khan of Rewa team.

Ali led by example as he scored the goal for his side in the 14th in the second half to defeat Bemana 1-0. Nasinu coach Rizwan Wasim said his side had trained hard for the past six weeks and their sacrifice paid off.

“We dedicate this win to our fans and thank FMSA for the opportunity to play at the tournament.

“Bemana was a very good and strong team as they were the runner-up from the last tournament.

“Our strategy was to keep attacking till we break the Bemana defence and Ali took this opportunity to prove that we are also a very good side,” Wasim said.

Bemana coach Usman Gani said he was happy with the performance of his team and praised his players for defeating their much stronger opponent Ba side in the quarter-final match on Saturday.

“I would also like to thank my sponsors Coastline Transport, Emky Motors and 90.6 FM,” added Gani. Games co-coordinator Nadeem Mohammed said 11 best teams will be picked from this tournament



Nasinu team captain Betsy Ali (right) receives the Fiji Muslim Sports Association trophy from Faiyaz Koya (left) at Prince Charles Park in Nadi yesterday. Photo: SHEIK DEAN

to play in the International Club Championship which will be held in June at Prince Charles Park in Nadi.

“We will be having teams from Australia and New Zealand to participate in the ICC.

“After the ICC we will be selecting a Fiji team plus an Under 21 team to represent Fiji in the FANCA games in Auckland, New Zealand,” Mohammed said.

FMSA chairman Mohammed Rafiq said this was a very successful tournament with teams showing good sportsmanship.

“I thank our major sponsors Supreme Fuel and Auto Care Fiji Ltd and Real Forex Money Exchange for the primary division trophies and the live commentary by 90.6 FM of the finals.”

Results of semi-finals: Nasinu 4 Varavu 3, Nadi 3 Bemana 4.

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